R.I.C.C. MEETING

02-21-08

12:00 NOON

PRESENT WERE: Tim Coughlin, Barb Olson, Betty Omvig, Harlan Fixen, Shelley Stockman, Darlas Rogers, Cindy Gardner, Sonie Owan, Andrea Peterson, Erica Nelson and Dotty Wamre.

Minutes from the last RICC Meeting were reviewed. The agenda for this quarter's meeting were handed out.

Introductions were made.

<u>FILE AUDIT REVIEW:</u> Tim and Annie had one of their cases reviewed on October 10, 2007. No comments yet on this review.

<u>OAE:</u> NEWBORN HEARING SCREENINGS. Federal regulations are that children have hearing screenings. The State office has purchased 12 OAE machines and 12 Timpanigram machines. The Timpanigram machine measures fluid in the ears. The plan is to train the Early Interventionists to do the OAE screening. Audiologists state-wide must agree to have the Early Interventionists perform this test. Until this is resolved at the state level, the Early Interventionists cannot do this test. The Feds are not sighting us for "non-compliance" until this issue is resolved.

Early Intervention must happen in a natural environment, such as the home or a day care. Feds are recommending that the IFSP be changed.

EXPERIENCED PARENT DISCUSSION: At the last meeting, Harlan Fixen said he would discuss this with his wife to see if they would be the experienced parent. Per Harlan, they will make that decision next week.

PART C STATE ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT: Betty presented and much discussion was held regarding this report.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 1:00 P.M.